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## On the Sidelines

Yesterday we had the opportunity of getting a first-hand account of how one runner fared in the recent Boston A. A. Marathon, won by John Kelly of Arlington, Mass. Percy MacPherson, Glace Bay, N. S., long distancer, narrated for us some of his own trials and tribulations in that memorable 26-mile grind. MacPherson is a slight rawboned youth having all the earmarks of a long distance runner—lean, thin, his face having that gritty quality that marks out the runner of the longer distances.

The Glace Bay runner finished 56th in the event, and a buddy from Nova Scotia, also representing Glace Bay, named Olin, finished in 36th position. MacPherson was returning to his home yesterday and rather than being in low spirits about not placing higher he explained to us, quite logically, just why he didn't.

In the first place he began the race as a pacemaker along with Kelly, Le-Brun DeMar, Steiner, and the other headliners of the 26-mile grind. It was a bad mistake. He was winded and frustrated after the first 10 miles. MacPherson was apologetic to us. He should have stayed behind at the start and not have tried to force the pace and stay up with those great veterans. In the first place, those runners knew just the race they could run—they were trained to it—and the weather favored them. In the second place, he explained, he took a serious cramp in his leg later in the race and was forced to hoof it about seven miles. He was proud of the fact, that even at that, he was in 56th position with more than 200 starters. "If I hadn't started out so fast, and forced myself into a cramp, I'd have finished among the first ten," the Glace Bay Boy informed us. And there was more conviction in his face than the accompanying grin could hide.

The Glace Bay plodder believes that the paved roads are a natural handicap to runners who are not used to them. Also, how can a Maritimer be expected to give of his best when he only arrives in Boston with time to change into his running togs, and with not money enough to support him there for several weeks of training. Let a real honest-to-goodness marathoner tell you, it's no simple trick to go from these parts and win one of those events!

Unlike most people who do a lot of talking, Commissioner Landis of American baseball, usually says plenty when he opens up.

He was easily satisfied that Dizzy Dean, and the Browns' pitcher, Buck Newsom, received money from the East St. Louis business man for popping off on the radio and not forgetting to mention the man's store while they were at it.

That, the Judge agreed, was Dean's

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## DEMPSEY TURNS ADVISER TO THE YOUNG ATHLETE

Old Manassa Mauler Is Going to Stay in Shape and Go on World Tours In 1945, 1955, 1965.

NEW YORK, April 25—Thousands of youngsters who were born too late to see the great Jack Dempsey in action were given a message of cheer yesterday by the "old" Manassa Mauler. He announced that he would return to the ring for three exhibition bouts.

"I have decided to make three world boxing tours—in 1945, 1955 and 1965," Dempsey said, after finishing a strenuous workout at a gymnasium.

Wasn't the former champion looking pretty far ahead? He would be making those tours when 50, 60 and 70 years old.

"You've got to look ahead" nowadays, countered Jack. "That's the trouble with most people; they don't look ahead. Do you think I'd be over here tiring myself out and sweating like a dry horse if I wasn't looking ahead?"

"I have friends all over the world," Jack explained. "They remember me as Jack Dempsey, the fighting champion. And I want them and the youngsters growing up to keep that memory. I've been out of the ring since my exhibition tour in 1931.

"If I had allowed my body to grow fat and flabby like most ex-champions I wouldn't be the same old Dempsey—would I? And people meeting me—a big, fat slob—would say, 'What a shame! The way Dempsey let himself slip.'"

Jack cannot return to the ring now. He is too busy with his restaurant. He will make no tour in 1935. In another decade, however, he is determined to have his affairs arranged so that he can embark on a world-wide tour. He will be fifty years old then.

"And I expect to be in just about as good shape as I am now. Temperate living and plenty of exercise will keep me in shape. And I figure on doing the same at 60 and 70. After that I'll probably be too old," he said.

business and Newsom's business, and very good business, too.

But while they were on the subject of easy dough, the Judge told Paul's (Duffy) brother a few things about soft pickings that every honest athlete should know.

What the Judge said was in effect, that ball players should beware of people bearing gifts, even when the gift bearers are not Greeks.

It goes without the Judge saying it that when one man steps up to another man with a fistful of currency and says, "Take it, I like you," the giver's next pitch is apt to be a curve, low and outside.

A ball player must let his conscience do the steering. Fans are dizzy, and a well heeled fan dizzy enough to want to do a little something for a diamond hero is not inconceivable.

The Judge told Diz to smite anyone who offered him money for nothing over the skull with a stick of wood and Dizzy backed out of the audience chamber without committing himself.

He probably doesn't know himself well enough yet to know whether he'd turn down easy money, provided there was nothing crooked about it.

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## BILL TILDEN ON THE WAY TO RETIREMENT

(By "Baz" O'Meara)

MONTREAL, April 25—William Tatum Tilden is not very far away from retirement if one takes as authoritative the opinions bandied around by the tennis wise people who saw him beat George Lott in the singles. Lott was not as sensational as expected. Steady pro routine has thinned him down, there is a more serious note to his play. He has lost the boyish ebullience that marked his play as an amateur. With that loss has gone some of the showmanship that marked him out among the amateur top liners.

He and Tilden are by no means fraternal, and there seemed to be a smirk of satisfaction on the face of large William as he went to work in machine-like fashion to beat Lott in the singles. He seemed to be saving himself in the doubles, and the suspicion grows that long William Ellsworth Vines is beginning to look on long Bill as a good deal of a passenger in these events.

## FRANK PATRICK HAS NEW IDEA FOR HOCKEY

Suggests Ice Should Be Given Over to Four Referees in Each Game—Other Hockey News.

VANCOUVER, April 25—Possibility of National Hockey League games being played under the eyes of four referees—Eddie Shore's secret ambition to be known as the cleanest player in hockey—and a big league tryout for a former Winnipeg junior who has been playing with Vancouver Lions in the Northwest Pro Hockey League were three post-season hockey tidbits from Frank Patrick today.

The Boston Bruins' mentor, who makes his home in British Columbia between hockey schedules, said that when the N. H. L. holds its annual meeting he would recommend adoption of the four-man system instead of the two used at present. The increase in arbiters, Patrick believes, would result in more accurate decisions when off-sides were called or players penalized. Each referee would have a quarter section of the ice under his scrutiny.

As for Shore being one of the bad men of the league, his manager has definite ideas on that. "Do you know what Eddie's secret ambition is?" Patrick queried, then added: "He wants to win the Lady Byng trophy for clean playing. That should hold his critics who claim he is deliberate in his roughness."

And the hockey talk wound up with the intimation that Bobby Kirk, the Lions' wingman, will get a chance in the N. H. L. next season.

"Kirk would appeal to Boston fans, I think," said Frank. He's a rugged type of player with an Irish grin that would give many a feminine heart a flutter. "I'm going to recommend—I'm only a manager, I don't do the hiring—that he be given a chance with the Bruins next year."

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## WHITE SOX AND PIRATES FAVORED TO WIN PENNANTS

If Precedent Counts At All, the Sox and Pirates "Are In," Says Baseball Writer.

If things really do run in cycles of three, then here's one for the hunch players—"the Pirates to win the National League pennant, the White Sox to capture the American League flag in the new-born campaign of 1935."

Reason doesn't enter into this at all. It's based entirely on the luck of playing managers in their first full seasons, and the only pair falling into that category this year are Jimmy Dykes of the White Sox, generally picked for last place in the American League race, and Harold Pie Traynor, of the Pirates, the lone athlete in the National League getting his first full year of thinking up orders and helping carry them out.

The added fact that they are both third basemen has no bearing on the subject whatsoever.

### Two Years in Row

But for the past two years, playing managers trying both roles from the very start of the season have driven their clubs into the World Series. Mickey Cochrane did it with the Tigers and Frankie Frisch, who had the Cardinals part of 1933 as well, not only captured the National League flag but the world championship along with it. The fact that one was a catcher and the other a second baseman has nothing to do with this reasoning either.

The year before, 1933, it was two other freshman playing managers, Joe Cronin, then with Washington, and Bill Terry, serving his first full year at the helm of the New York Giants, who came down in front of the two leagues in September, and the fact that the Giants also won the World Series, to carry out this line of thought to the extreme, would mean that the Pirates would be favorites over the White Sox in the 1935 World Series if these daffy cycles of three keep on whirling.

### And Bucky Harris

Bucky Harris, back as manager of the Senators, started this by taking over the Pirates in his first full year. Then Roger Hornsby stepped into the leadership of the Cardinals party way through 1925 and in his next full year as manager not only won the National League pennant but a spectacular World Series triumph over the Yankees as well.

Charley Grimm, who managed the Cubs into the 1932 World Series after Hornsby was turned loose in August of that year, was among those annihilated by the Yankees in the World Series of that year.

Before going too heavily for the Pirates and White Sox, on the sole basis of history repeating itself, lots of playing managers are still trying to win pennants after their first, second, third, and etcetera seasons.

The Phillies, for instance, with Jimmy Wilson in the driver's seat last year for the first time, nearly fell through the bottom of the National League, being held up only by Cincinnati.

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## SCHUMACHER BEATS RUTH AND BRAVES, ALLOWING ONLY 3 HITS

Big Giants' Hurler in Great Form—Senators Nose Out Athletics 3-2 in American Loop; Foxx Pokes Homer.

NEW YORK, April 24—Shorn of the glamor and color of opening day and the return of Babe Ruth with the opposition, New York Giants continued their winning form today to ring up a 3-1 victory over Boston Braves behind some great pitching by Hal Schumacher at the Polo Grounds.

The husky right hander displayed some of his best work since 1933 as he set the Bostonians down with three hits and belted home one of the runs himself as the Giants concentrated all their scoring off Flint Rhem in the third inning.

Babe Ruth, who complained of a slight cold just about the time a shower dampened the field before the game, appeared only as a pinch hitter for Flint Rhem in the eighth and struck out. He was replaced by Hal Lee.

As young Cy Blanton held the Reds in check with 11 strikeouts, Pittsburgh Pirates defeated Cincinnati 5-2 today. Tied for five innings, the Pirates cashed in heavily as a double play went wrong in the eighth. Arky Vaughan singled and Bill Brubaker walked with one out. Then Jim Bottomley's attempt at a double killing on Gus Suhr's grounder hit Brubaker racing to second, and the Pirates added Tommy Thevenow's walk and singles by Padden and Waner to take the lead.

### Brooklyn Holds Lead

The Brooklyn combination of Van Mungo and Linus Frey had no trouble keeping the Dodgers at the top of the National League at Brooklyn as the pair produced a 4-1 victory over the Phillies.

Mungo pitched four-hit ball, fanned nine and allowed a run only in the third when a walk, Euel Moore's single and two outs sent Blondy Ryan around the sacks. Frey hit his second home run in two days and his fourth of the season with Boyle on base in the first inning.

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Lon Warnecke went the route for the visitors and got credit for his third victory of the season. Dizzy Dean, who relieved Tinning in the eighth, gave three hits in the 10th and was the losing pitcher.

### Senators Beat A's

Washington Senators handed Philadelphia Athletics their fourth straight defeat yesterday, winning 3-2 at Philadelphia in spite of Jimmy Foxx's third home run of the season.

Foxx's smash in the fourth scored all of the Athletics' runs, with the circuit clout sending Bob Johnson home in front of Jimmy. Bob Burke held the Athletics to eight hits, while the Senators touched Alton Benton and Joe Cascarrella for 10.

### Indians Won

With the bases filled and the score tied in the ninth inning, Pat Thomas walked Roy Hughes, of Cleveland, forcing Bruce Campbell across the plate and giving the Indians a 3-2 victory.

Thomas held the Tribe to four hits. Lloyd Brown replaced Oral Hildebrand on the mound in the ninth inning for Cleveland and was credited with the victory.

### Detroit Lost To Chicago

Rookie John Whitehead's three-hit pitching and a home run barrage by Zeké Bonura, Al Simmons and Vernon Washington, gave Chicago White Sox a 10-4 victory over Detroit before 6,000 home fans.

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